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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in triplicate.

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

U.S. Patent No. 2,654,319 issued October 6, 1953	Roske
U.S. Patent No. 3,099,958 issued August 6, 1963	Daubenspeck et al.
U.S. Patent No. 3,874,294 issued April 1, 1975	Hale
U.S. Patent No. 5,239,928 issued August 31, 1993	Ricci
U.S. Patent No. 4,738,202 issued April 19, 1988	Hebert
U.S. Patent No. 3,990,366 issued November 9, 1976	Scanlon
U.S. Patent No. 4,140,058 issued February 20, 1979	Ballreich et al.
U.S. Patent No. 5,033,386 issued July 23, 1991	Vatsvog
U.S. Patent No. 2,862,446 issued December 7, 1958	Ringdal
U.S. Patent No. 3,745,924 issued July 17, 1973	Scanlon
U.S. Patent No. 3,977,326 issued August 31, 1976	Anderson et al.
U.S. Patent No. 4,569,288 issued February 11, 1986	Grelle et al.
U.S. Patent No. 3,786,755 issued January 22, 1974	Eckstein et al.
U.S. Patent No. 4,020,763 issued May 3, 1977	Iruretagoyena
U.S. Patent No. 4,565,131 issued January 21, 1986	Buchner

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U.S. Patent No. 4,614,157	issued September 30, 1986	Grelle et al.
U.S. Patent No. 5,151,555	issued September 29, 1992	Vatsvog
U.S. Patent No. 3,026,802	issued March 27, 1962	Barnet et al.
U.S. Patent No. 3,842,739	issued October 22, 1974	Scanlon et al.
U.S. Patent No. 4,147,107	issued April 3, 1979	Ringdal
U.S. Patent No. 3,955,506	issued May 11, 1976	Luther et al.
U.S. Patent No. 4,054,637	issued October 18, 1977	Gruaz
U.S. Patent No. 4,192,233	issued March 11, 1980	Dumortier
U.S. Patent No. 5,021,206	issued June 4, 1991	Stoops
German 2 419 881	published December 19, 1974	
UK 2 044 416 A	published October 15, 1980	
Europe 0 131 863 A2	published January 23, 1985	
UK 1,015,516	published January 5, 1966	

The documents are being submitted within 3 months of the filing or entry of the national stage of this application or before the first Office Action on the merits, whichever is later, therefore no fee or certification is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b).

To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner initialled copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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